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LABORATORY SERVICES

1.0 Purpose:

To offer comprehensive testing services to assist in diagnosing disease, monitoring health, and evaluating therapy for outpatients and inpatients, including emergency.

2.0 Scope:

The laboratory services

3.0 Responsibility:

Heads of Laboratory services

4.0 Procedure:

- **4.1** Laboratory services shall comply with all national standards and laws. The scope of services provided by each laboratory shall be clearly defined.
- **4.2** Laboratory services shall be provided to meet the needs of the patients.
- **4.3** All laboratories function on all working days.

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- 4.4 Laboratory services shall follow a comprehensive laboratory safety program and this shall be incorporated into the Hospital Safety Program.
- **4.5** Laboratory services shall follow standard procedures for collecting, identifying, handling, safely transporting, processing and disposing of specimens. These procedures are detailed in the Laboratory Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).
- **4.6** Laboratory personnel shall be qualified and experienced as per the Scope of Services of the Laboratory Services.
- **4.7** All tests done by the Laboratory Services are reported within time frames established in the Lab SOP.
- **4.8** Critical results shall be intimated immediately to the concerned personnel.
- **4.10** The laboratory services shall develop, implement and maintain a Quality Control Program.
- **4.11** The Laboratory services shall maintain a roster of experts in specialized diagnostic areas and the experts shall be contacted when needed.

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